



RAIN RAIN COME AGAIN—Clean air and mild relief from the severe drought were two beautiful by-products of this week's rainstorm.

Valley Star Photo by Allan Adler

Manuels Resigns from Office; Sloane Takes Over Presidency

By JOHN MILBURN
Staff Writer

In a move that came as no real surprise Tuesday, Steve Manuels, associated student body president, resigned from office.

Manuels, struggling this semester from the pain and pressure of a slipped disc, confirmed recent rumors that hospitalization and an operation were imminent.

"I deeply regret having to make this move," Manuels said at Tuesday's A.S. council meeting. "I thank all of you for your cooperation and support this semester. This is hard for me to do, but I need this operation."

PRESIDENTIAL DEBATE

There will be an Associated Students presidential debate on Tuesday, May 17 at 11 a.m. in the Free Speech Area. There will be a question/answer period following the debate.

Manuels' move, coming at the end of Tuesday's session, punctured the tense atmosphere surrounding the expected announcement. It was clear that council members wanted to get it over with.

Current A.S. vice-president Jeff

Sloane officially took over for Manuels after council. Saying that Manuels was "one of the finest presidents we've ever had," he accepted the resignation. Manuels called on the body to "give Sloane the support he'll need."

Sloane, who has been acting as de

facto president for the last ten days while Manuels rested in an attempt to avert the need for surgery, said that he "didn't anticipate any problems" with the take-over.

Many times this semester, Sloane and certain council members have openly been at odds, with tempers occasionally flaring. Sloane said that the experience he has gained filling in for Manuels leads him to believe that there will be no problems in that area.

In addition, he said that he expects to continue working as closely as possible with Manuels for the remainder of the semester.

Commissioner of elections Ann Gaynor announced that petitions of candidates for the vacant vice-presidential position will be accepted in CC 100 until noon Monday, May 16.

VC Awaits Word On Solar Energy

By DAVID GREENWALD
Editor-in-Chief

It has been one month since Donald Brunet, dean of administrative services, sent a summary of test results on the feasibility of solar power at Valley to Sacramento.

He has heard no reply.

But Brunet is not worried. He takes the philosophical outlook of, "No news is good news." If Sacramento will not come to him, he will go to Sacramento, via telephone, and by the end of this week he should have some word.

Brunet began the solar research project at Valley College over a year ago, when he began investigating which materials would be best suited for use in solar collectors. Since that time he has supervised the installation of six solar panels on the roof of the women's gym.

It is from these collectors, which have been in operation for the past seven months, that Brunet gathered the information sent to Sacramento.

Since the time that Brunet began his research project, The Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees have begun their own tentative steps in the direction of alternative energy research. It was the board that allocated Valley the funds to begin its own project.

In February the board, recognizing the overwhelming need to research and develop alternative sources of energy, issued a resolution calling for establishment of an Interdisciplinary Task Force to "identify, study, and report on potential college based solar energy projects."

At the first meeting of the solar energy committee, held April 22 at Valley College, and at which all but three colleges of the nine-college district were in attendance, an initial plan of action was discussed.

First on the list of recommended action by the committee was the installation of a solar energy system to heat the three swimming pools presently under construction. One of those pools is at Valley.

"The system should be selected by the Solar Energy Committee in consultation with district staff and outside consultants, as required, to accomplish the necessary research to identify the most effective system."

From the research done by Brunet, it appears that the most efficient means of creating a solar energy system is to use plain, corrugated sheet metal, as is being done with the Valley College solar collectors. Brunet estimates that each panel, using such simple materials, would cost approximately \$100.

At present, according to Brunet, there is a bill on the floor of the House of Representatives that, if passed, would provide funds for such campus alternative energy projects.

In the meantime, however, Sacramento is being looked toward for the necessary funds to continue the project at Valley.

Brunet feels that a \$50-60,000 grant would be enough to continue the project for another year, taking into account the expansion and construction of additional collectors.

If the money is forthcoming, Brunet thinks that the project could become a likely vehicle of research for the Environmental Studies Department.

"We would like to see student involvement with this project," said Brunet, adding that additional input from the students could lead to an even better system.

Open House To Display Valley Life

By LEANNE COTHAM
Staff Writer

The idea that Valley College offers "many facilities, many opportunities for people to get ahead" will be the general theme for Valley's Open House, May 22, from noon to 5 p.m. according to Austin Conover, public information officer.

There will be five continuous hours of entertainment. At one end of the campus there will be presentations of music, theater arts, mime and pottery. The other end of the campus will be featuring examples of karate, yoga, fencing, dancing and tennis.

Students from Valley College, wearing big green and yellow buttons, will be giving tours through various sections. These sections include the learning and the child care centers. Tours will be given of the handicapped program, the veteran's program, the financial aid program and the tutorial program.

Many of Valley's special programs and departments will be setting up displays. The nursing program will conduct tours of their department, show movies and take blood pressures. The broadcasting program will be showing demonstrations for those of the public that want to see themselves on T.V. The planetarium will be putting on a show. The secretarial sciences will be using the memory bank computers.

The Theater Arts Department will be providing many different activities for public enjoyment. There will be one act plays and jazz bands performing throughout the day. There will be several demonstrations of puppetry. At 3 p.m., the COTA orchestra will give a special concert.

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Grade Pressure No. 1 Cause For Pre-Fab Paper Cheating

By JIM BOLAND
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This is the third in a series of articles

Grade pressure is the foremost reason that plagiarized term papers are used.

But the circumstances that result in this pressure are as diverse as the individuals experiencing it.

While transfer contingencies were the foremost reason behind this cheating, many students felt pressured by parents or peers. Others merely use them for convenience.

"I found myself in a situation where I had completed every requirement for an A.A. degree except health," stated one former user of the services. "And since I am self-employed I only register for classes, that I need for a degree. It seemed to me that with only one class left to take, I was throwing away an entire semester. I rationalized that since I had wasted time in those idiotic mandatory P.E. classes that I'd just coast along, come to class as little as possible and pay \$10-20 for the papers which would guarantee me passing the course."

Another prospective client was going to utilize the papers because he found the class "boring."

He never bought the papers because they were too specific in the area he was assigned to write on (optical illusions). So he resorted to plagiarizing the encyclopedia Britannica and The World Book. He was never discovered and Britannica received a "B" in the class.

These two students said that this was the only times they resorted to cheating during college, and both have maintained grade point averages in the area of 3.6.

Half of the users of canned papers however are struggling to maintain a 2.0 GPA. Most of them view the papers as a last chance at receiving a decent grade in a class.

"I figured out that if I got a B on my term paper I would get a C in class," stated Mary Smith (fictitious name). Well Mary got an A on her paper but she also got caught.

"The instructor just figured that something was fishy when I got Ds on easier assignments and then pulled an A on the hardest one." She questioned me about my sources and since I didn't have any I began to panic. But what really made me confess was when she questioned me about my paper itself. I had only copied it so I didn't really

know what it contained, and this led me to confess."

No doubt as the semester comes to an end and term papers become due some students will hand in plagiarized papers. Some may get caught, but most won't.

Legal Services Expanded

Due to the "overflow response," legal aid services for students with paid ID's have been expanded to include Tuesdays, according to A.S. President Steve Manuels.

"We want to reach the Tuesday-Thursday students as well as the Monday-Wednesday-Friday group," explained Manuels.

"Appointments for Wednesdays are usually filled, making the added expenses a worthwhile investment." An additional \$300 was allocated at the last A.S. Council meeting.

The service, offered to paid ID holders only, provides a 20-minute consultation with a qualified attorney. Students may air their problems and will receive advice or a referral. A 24-hour telephone service for students

unable to see a lawyer during the on-campus hours is also provided. The number is 826-5731.

If a student wants an attorney to handle his case in court, reduced rates will be offered. The discount would result in a student paying approximately half of the normal legal fees.

Many participants are relieved to find that the dilemma facing them, may only be a minor obstacle.

Manuels hopes that by expanding benefits for students with paid ID's, they will have more incentive to participate in the program. "If more students paid for their ID's, we would be able to give them even more services," commented Manuels.

Hours for Tuesdays are 9-11:30 a.m. and 11-3 p.m. on Wednesday.

Student Body Elections Will Be Held May 16-19

By DERALENE EBNER
Staff Writer

Voting for candidates running for Associated Student Council will be held at Valley College May 16 through May 19.

According to Anne Gaynor, commissioner of elections, there are 19 positions with 14 people having applied for seven of them.

Those running for office include, for president, John Donohue, Steven Katz, Jon Melichar, Marcy Meyer, Theresa-Kathryn Scott, and Mike Wakes; Joseph Scardino and David Whitelaw, vice-president; Robert Pike, chief justice; Danny Morgan, social activities; Debbie Broadway and Susie Helms, women's athletics; Ofer Touboul, Jewish studies; and Ron Reed, Black studies.

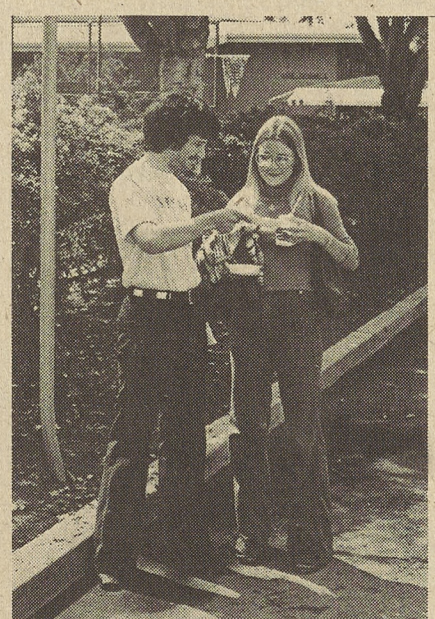
Unoccupied positions will be filled in the fall. People who apply for those positions will have to state their views and reasons for running.

They will need a two-thirds approval of council to be accepted.

Voting will be from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. and 6 to 9 p.m. May 16 through May 18. On May 19 it will be from 9 a.m. to 12. The count will be at 1 p.m. and the results of the election at 2 p.m.

If a run-off is necessary, it will be held the following week May 23 through May 25.

Each candidate for the offices of A.S. president and vice-president



STEVE KATZ

were asked by Star to address themselves to a number of questions. Below are excerpts from their answers.

Presidential Candidates
Q. What new programs would you like to see initiated on the Valley College campus?

John Donohue: I would like to see a comprehensive preventative health care program made available to the student body. Presently the concept is under

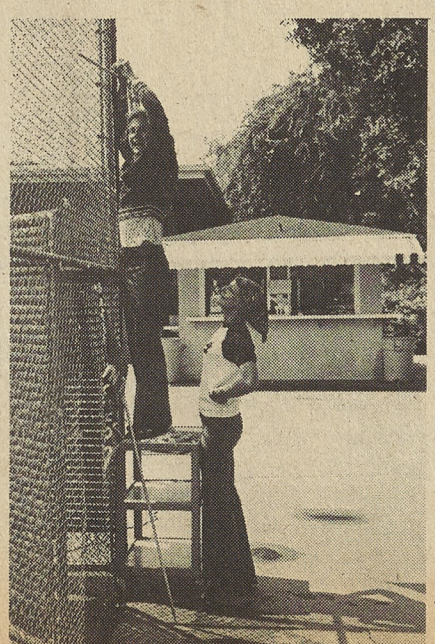
consideration on a statewide basis, but we are fortunate to have a Federally subsidized organization here in the Valley which could make this care available now.

Steve Katz: I would like to initiate a medical plan, which I have been working on, to expand the legal-aid services, and increase the amount of speakers by getting top-rated speakers on current issues.

Jon Melichar: I would work to expand the legal aid program at Valley. Instead of having the lawyer on campus for eight hours in two days, I feel expanding the days to, perhaps five days, two hours on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, and during activity period on Tuesday and Thursdays for one hour.

Marcy Meyer: I would like to see seminars and lectures on topics that hit close to home—rape, sexuality, and male/female interactions.

Theresa-Kathryn Scott: A computer computer program would be



JOHN MELICHAR

one of the first major, positive steps taken to ease the parking problem. I have already done a lot of the background work on this as commissioner of campus improvements and I hope we can have a successful program in the fall.

Michael Wakes: The one main program that I would like to see initiated on campus is that of student awareness. The students would like to know of their rights and how to protect them, and to hear of events before they happen instead of after.

Q. What are your qualifications to hold office?

Donohue: I have experience in management and dealing in the committee environment. I'm an A student maintaining 23 units. I am a hard worker and dedicated.

Katz: I have three semesters on A.S. council. I founded and chaired two beneficial committees, the Cafeteria Investigation Committee and the Handicapped Awareness Committee. Within these committees I fought for student rights and equality, which the students were being denied. I also chaired the Student Rights Committee and rewrote the student rights code. I wrote a health plan, worked on the budget, and have been involved in many other projects i.e. mini-pool fundraisers, improvement of lights, and security for night students.

Meyer: I am serving my third semester as A.S. treasurer. I am well aware of the workings of council and I work well with the administration.

Melichar: I am a leader experienced in student government for two semesters. I have worked on a number of committees.

Scott: I am the current commissioner of campus improvements. I also do promotional work for a rock group which I feel has been beneficial, in that it has taught me a great deal about business and how to work with all kinds of people. I feel that this is essential to being an effective president.

Wakes: I have been involved in student government for two semesters, during which I have been on many committees. I have the maturity that would be needed



MARCY MEYER

for such positions, and I have been in management positions before. The main qualifications I have is that I realize student government is for the students and not just those few who are involved in student government. Therefore, I will work to see this changed and the students' needs considered.

Q. What are your feelings on paid ID being mandatory for voting rights?

Donohue: I feel that paid ID should be mandatory for voting



THERESA-KATHRYN SCOTT

rights, for it is a small cost that can provide a lot of good. Compared to tuition, I would rather have a paid ID mandatory for enrollment in the community college system.

Katz: In as much as I would like to see all students with a paid ID, this is obviously a dream. The decisions that are made by A.S. affect everybody, therefore, they should have the right to vote, and that in itself might increase the sale of paid ID's.

Meyer: I think all students should be allowed to vote. The elected officers in actuality, represent the whole student body. I feel that giving all students the vote makes that representation legitimate.

Melichar: I would work to see that all students will be able to vote. The first step will be to get the gold cards the vote. This will, if worded right, revoke the existing board rule stating that only members of A.S. can vote.

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STAR EDITORIAL

Abuse Sours Good Idea

In an effort to stem the rising tide of drop-outs and forced exclusions at its nine campuses, the District has implemented a program called "Investment in Learning." Printouts were made of all students' names, addresses, ages, and phone numbers. The list was assembled by class so the instructors could call the missing students in an attempt at determining why the no-shows were failing to attend classes.

There have been reports, even before the advent of the computer readouts, of male instructors calling female students and asking them out "to have a drink." (There have been no known complaints of male students being called.) And on another occasion one student reported that his instructor threw the sensitive list into his trashbasket—in full view of the class—where anyone interested in a particular member of the class could pick it out.

Valley College is a college. The students have the right to come and go as they please. They are adults and should be treated as such: with respect.

But, unfortunately, too many students enrolling at Valley display a definite lack of responsibility and commitment, either toward themselves, the college, or to education in general. In short, they see Valley as an extension of high school, but without the forced attendance. They arrive on enrollment day full of fire and brimstone—ready to tackle the world of academia—buying armloads of books; making a class or two, then disappearing into the endless void of society.

The District's program dubbed "Hot Line" at Valley is an effort to counsel the drop-outs back into the educational system. Success with the program thus far has been something less than phenomenal, and Dr. Thurston's office is currently evaluating it before deciding whether or not to use the Hot Line next semester and beyond.

On the surface it is a noble experiment despite charges of "invasion of privacy."

Recognizing the "invasion" concept is losing validity with each step toward a more complicated and dense society. Witness the many inroads being made into the private lives of citizens year by year, if not day by day. Persons wishing to cling to some measure of autonomy, much to their chagrin, are increasingly finding themselves in the minority, and perhaps out of step with a rapidly changing world. It's sad but inevitable.

The administration and the classroom educators should be lauded for their searches of ways to recreate a personal relationship between student and professor: a relationship where learning and teaching can take place.

But those that print and disseminate lists of highly personal information about anyone, and those that receive them, have a grave responsibility to take care that the lists themselves, or the information contained within them, does not fall into the hands of others whom the citizen/student would not want receiving such information.

Nor should lists be used for any other purpose than intended by the administration.



COMMENTARY

Economically Torn Vietnam Deserves U.S. Reparations

By JENNIFER GARDINER
Managing Editor

Vietnam has every right to demand and expect billions of dollars of post-war reconstruction assistance from the United States.

While the United States has nobly dropped its opposition to Vietnam's entrance to the United Nations and declares itself ready to resume diplomatic relations with Vietnam, we refuse to pay them reparations.

Vietnam is a prime example of a colonized country achieving independence from its oppressors. It has not fallen into the pattern of other Third World nations: It refuses to succumb to the set ways of capitalism or the accepted forms of communism. Instead, Vietnam has developed its own set of values and methods by which to live.

As Edwin O. Reischauer, former ambassador to Japan, says, "Nationalism runs rampant throughout it, and its peoples have no desire to be a part of Soviet, Chinese,

or even American camp. They wish to run their own affairs."

A country that wins independence from its colonizer is left in a horrendous economic position. "It is an underdeveloped world, a world inhuman in its poverty; but also it is a world without doctors, without engineers, and without administrators," states Frantz Fanon in his book, "The Wretched of the Earth."

The chances of private companies investing money into underdeveloped Vietnam is slim. Such companies are like children operating under Freud's Pleasure Principle: They want immediate satisfaction.

Companies are afraid of taking a risk. Fanon further explains, "They also demand political stability and a calm social climate which are impossible to obtain when account is taken of the appalling state of the population as a whole immediately after independence."

The people of the United States, as represented by their government, still

view the world as being in a Cold War state. But the question is no longer one of capitalism versus communism, but one of redistribution of wealth.

For centuries, Europe, and later America, has depleted the resources of Latin America, Africa, and Asia to build up its own opulence. Not only have they raped the land, but used the manpower of Blacks, Arabs, Indians, and the Yellow races to build their nations.

These natural resources are becoming scarce. The world is leaning toward interdependence. Reischauer explains that the long-range survival of even the "rich and stable nations" will only happen through the "greater affluence and stability of poor and unstable countries."

We must help underdeveloped nations, specifically Vietnam, develop. "This means," says Reischauer, "the transfer of technology and skills, assistance in economic growth, and the development of mutual respect and trust."

For the United States to vengefully abandon Vietnam to stagnation and even regression is inhumane, and in the end, will only hurt us.

As Fanon states, in reference to a newly independent country, "What it expects from those who for centuries have kept it in slavery is that they will help it to rehabilitate mankind, and make man victorious everywhere."

INSIGHT

Fruit Plays Vital Role in Anita's Crusade Against Homosexuality

By JIM BOLAND
City Editor

Interesting things happen when people try to psychoanalyze God.

Anita Bryant comes out of the closet to say that the drought in the western part of the country is due to the liberal laws certain states have regarding homosexuals.

So what happens? Last weekend's storm resulted in California experiencing its wettest May in 56 years.

Anita has yet to comment on this coincidence, but whatever she says will be of little consequence to me because I have figured out her subliminal ulterior motives.

At this point you must bear in mind that Anita's less-than-distinguished acting career has caused those moronic orange juice commercials to be her No. 1 claim to fame.

Also remember that Florida, the base for Anita's commercials, experienced a terrible freeze this year which all but ruined the orange crop.

So with no oranges coming from Florida and California's crop threatened by the drought, she realized that her career was in serious danger unless California received some rain.

Then she could hope for a transfer to the West Coast and avoid the lines at the unemployment office.

These are the reasons she came out with her statement pertaining to the cause for the drought. She hoped that God would take issue with her logic and disapprove her by sending us a storm.

First pawn of this chess game went to Anita.

But God, like Bobby Fischer, likes to employ moves that sometimes appear to be blunders, when actually he is merely setting up his opponent to be checkmated.

Undoubtedly, Anita was beaming from ear to ear when she heard the news that rain was coming down heavily in California. She probably concluded that she had outsmarted God as she waited for her agent to call her and tell her about the flood of offers pouring in.

However, in her haste, Anita failed to consider the pawn that God had placed on the West Coast of this continental chessboard.

Bing Crosby.

Everyone knows Bing has a monopoly on West Coast groves. And, since he owns the company he advertises for, it is unlikely he will relinquish his position and pay Anita her fee of \$500,000 per year for services he can better accomplish himself.

When Anita realizes her imminent

defeat she will no doubt be stunned by the irony of the situation. In her crusade against the employment rights of homosexuals, the only person out of work will be herself.

Checkmate! In the future, Anita, I suggest you take your opponent a little more seriously and remember that Sherlock Boland is keeping an eye on you.

UPDATE

Carter Energy Plan Out of Gas

By HARRY FISHER
Chief Sports Photographer

Despite the promises President Carter has made to the public of relieving the major tax burden from the middle class, his proposed energy program may quite possibly prove to be one of the biggest hypocritical schemes undertaken by this administration.

In fact, it will place the major burden on the middle class.

First, the program is not directed toward the major consumers of energy. With the new taxation proposed by the administration, industry will

be left virtually unaffected while the average citizen will be abruptly defeated by spiraling costs of gasoline.

As history always repeats itself, once again we see the president supporting big business at the American public's expense.

In addition, the fact that everyone must buy gas and other forms of energy is reason enough to label this program unjust and unfair.

While the nouveau rich will undoubtedly be able to afford astronomical prices for gas, in addition to the high taxation imposed on gas guzzling cars, the average American will significantly have to adjust his lifestyle just to afford a gallon of gas.

Even though forced taxation and conservation on industry would eventually lead to higher prices and inflation, there have not been substantial attempts by industry to fulfill these obligations.

And while this energy program is one of substantial effort to curb massive consumption of energy, it could quite possibly achieve better

results if it required the efforts of citizen and industry collectively.

VIEWPOINT

Search for Certainty Ends If You Become a Teacher

By JOHN MILBURN
Staff Writer

For countless centuries philosophers have been united in a common pursuit—the search for certainty. They need look no further than California's teacher tenure law. This antiquated, outdated system of guaranteeing lifetime employment to teachers who manage to squeeze through a probationary period should be abolished.

As originally established, tenure was a viable, functional necessity. It effectively offset the possibility of being fired due to unpopular political, religious, or social opinions.

No longer is this control necessary. Teachers now have massive organizations to represent them on major issues. Tenure simply allows teachers to hold their jobs without worrying about the quality of education they impart.

Syndicated columnist Sandra Haggerty, in a Los Angeles Times editorial, said recently: "If teachers, regardless of how long they've been on the payroll, cannot be made accountable for the consequences of their actions or nonactions in the classroom—they should be canned."

In 1976, the outgoing Los Angeles County Grand Jury urged that the state tenure law be modified because it "has become a haven for the incompetent."

The Grand Jury's Education Committee Chairman Elaine E. Young said that the committee concluded that the original and legitimate reasons for tenure no longer exist. The committee favored an alteration which would include a system of merit pay and periodic evaluation.

The grand jury recommended that the law be modified to "facilitate removal of incompetent teachers who

could not receive a successful evaluation on their teaching skills."

To date, no changes have been made in the tenure law. And currently, part-time instructors are attempting to climb aboard the tenure bandwagon. It will take a long time, and involve legislative and court action, but they will probably succeed. It would be nice to see as much effort placed in the direction of terminating the tenure concept.

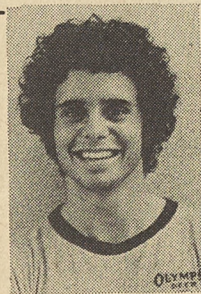
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RICH RAPS

Myths Surrounding Holiday's Origins Expelled After Years of Misconceptions

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Have any of you out there in Valley Star land ever wondered how the holidays got started? Somebody had to invent them, right?

Today all of your questions will be answered. Everything you've ever read in history books or been told by grandma up to this point is obsolete. Only I know the REAL answers...

Contrary to popular belief, Christmas is an invention of the department store and pine tree industries. It was a joint effort of Macy's employees and Washington lumberjacks.

Easter is an invention of the egg industry. The food coloring business also lent a hand in starting this to boost sagging sales.

It was of course the turkey shooters that started Thanksgiving. Final approval was given by Weight Watchers

of America so they could invent a holiday to gorge themselves and say, "Today's a holiday. I'll start my diet tomorrow."

New Year's Eve and St. Patrick's Day were started by Alcoholics Anonymous as a day of revenge, with an assist from Cutty Sark, Inc.

New Year's Day was an invention of the NCAA for football games, in conjunction with Zenith. Assistants are also credited to sugar, cotton, gators, roses, peaches, and the Armchair Quarterbacks Association.

Halloween was started jointly by the pumpkin industry and Roman Polanski. Long ago it was decided that pumpkins had no use but for pies, so carving out faces was made stylish to boost sales. Polanski is credited with starting the "trick or treat" phenomenon.

Mother's Day began as an idea from the flower industry. Father's Day commenced after an ad lib statement by Joe Namath on a Brut commercial that urged all men to buy their cologne so they would soon become (or almost become) fathers.

Independence Day's beginning is traced to the Red Devil Fireworks

corporation, with help from a street salesman in Tijuana.

Washington's and Lincoln's birthdays were invented by the L.A. Board of Education as an excuse to give everybody days off from school in February, a previously dry month.

Passover was started by a group of rabbis who were frustrated for lack of nothing to bless. Ground Hog Day is also reputed to have been invented by rabbis.

The beginnings of Memorial Day are the most famous. It was started in memory of this column, which is dead and buried.

LETTERS

The Valley Star is happy to receive and publish letters from Valley College students and citizens of the surrounding community.

Letters may be mailed to the Valley Star, or may be presented in person to the Valley Star office, Business-Journalism 114, by noon Monday for the following Thursday.

Letters should be typewritten with a maximum length of 350-400 words. They may be edited for length or conciseness. All letters should be signed, and students should state their majors. Names will be withheld upon request.

LETTER TO THE STAR

'Toda Roba' or Thanks Alot

Editor,

I would like to express my thanks to those students, Jews and non-Jews alike, who, as students, and not club members, participated in both of the Jewish Awareness weeks. In addition, I would also like to thank those individuals (students, teachers, and community people) who all made those two weeks a smashing success. Without their help, patience and guidance, the goals and ideals would not have been reached. Finally, I would like to thank the Valley Star for the excellent coverage we were given. Once and for all: Thank you.

Mark S. Frydman
Commissioner of,
Jewish Ethnic Studies



PINBALL WIZARD—In second annual recreation room superstars competition, "pinball Jack" tries to light up all the bumpers as competitors look on. The competition was comprised of pinball, foosball, and pool.

Valley Star Photo by Harry Fisher

Recreation Room Superstars: Writhing Wrists in Showcase

Valley's Second Annual Recreation Room Superstars Tournament wristed to a chorus of participants last Tuesday, and everyone had a ball.

They had either a foosball, pinball, or billiard ball, matching the top four of three Rec Room Tournaments during the year (foosball, pinball, pool). But only one could be crowned champ of '77.

When it was all over, Farid Magjeti claimed victory with dominations of two of the events, and high finishes in the other two. He managed a total of 22 points.

The events and scoring system went

as follows: competing in foosball, pinball, pool, and doubles pool, the winners of each event got 10 points, second eight, third six, fourth four, and fifth two.

Magjeti finished second in pinball with a two game total of 80,570 on the Big Indian machine. He teamed with Jack Stanley to make it to the finals of doubles pool, losing to Ed Mercurio and Juan Palazzo in exciting matches that went down to the eight ball each game.

Finishing in the top five of the other two events, Magjeti got the win, good for an impressive trophy. Mercurio

(winning the pinball) and Palazzo (copping the foosball) tied for second with 20 points. Palazzo won second by defeating Mercurio in a pool runoff, two games to one.

"Everything ran smoothly in all events," said Supervisor John Stark. "Everyone had a good time, win or lose."

Curb to Police Spying Demanded by Lecturer

"Police intelligence activities, or spying, should be curbed. Their activities should be made accountable to the public, or our society will become victimized by the information, both true and false, gathered by the police department," stated Marilyn Katz, writer and film director speaking at Valley College.

"It's no use to say spying isn't done by the police, because it is so. Either their own agents, or informants are used to gather information, and as most often with informants, if no information is to be had, some will be propagated," Katz said.

"This was the case of Frank Martinez, member of a Chicano movement in the late 60's, protesting the Vietnam War. He was a police informant and kept them informed about the organization's activities. When he was told to create some disturbance so the headquarters could be raided, he paraded up and down the street in front of the place with a shotgun on a day the headquarters was to get a shipment of weapons in. The headquarters was

New VC Career Program To Offer Job Recruitment

By MICHAEL GOULD
Staff Writer

Jobs for Valley College students that want career employment is the goal of a new recruiting program on campus, organized by Dr. Lynn Lomen, coordinator of the Career Opportunity Center.

Scheduled to come on campus are recruiters from four companies that will be seeking students interested in employment.

The series will begin on May 18 when a representative of the May Co. in Laurel Plaza will be on campus looking for students interested in becoming mid-management trainees.

On May 19, a recruiter from Security

Pacific Bank will be interviewing students for secretarial, clerical, and computer programming positions.

Prudential Life Insurance Co., which will fill 24 positions, will be interviewing and testing on campus May 26. The positions offered are for secretaries, clerks, and data processors.

The last day of the series, June 2, a representative of Edison Brothers Corp. will be at Valley recruiting students for their mid-management trainee program.

Now is the time to apply for summer jobs, said Dr. Lomen, who directs the Cooperative Education Center, the

Volunteer Corps, the Placement Services Center, and the Apprenticeship Program.

"Students should obtain practical experience in their major because it will be a necessary prerequisite when they go into the labor market," said Dr. Lomen.

Dr. Lomen would like to see the four programs he directs combined into one building called the Career Opportunities Center.

"I was promised it (the proposed center) by summer but funding and space problems have prevented it. Now I am hoping that we will be able to get it funded for next year," said Dr. Lomen.

Candidates Vie for Offices

(Continued from Pg. 1, Col. 6)

Scott: Having a paid ID merely marks the distinction between being a member of A.S. and just being John Student. Since the elections are for officers of the union, if you will, I think it is justified. It's the difference between being a member and not being a member. Any one who is that concerned about the elections, or who's in charge, should pay their ID and be a member of the association.

Wakes: I feel it should be up to the student to decide. This issue has been kicked around and student opinion is what should be heard, not just that of student government.

Vice-Presidential Candidates

Q. What new programs would you like to see initiated on the Valley College campus?

Scardino: A) A workable system for distinguishing and enforcement of priority parking for paid ID card

holders. B) Associated Students Information Station in the Administration Building during registration. C) Expand hours of services on campus in places like the business office and the financial aids office for night students.

Whitelaw: A) Programs which would stimulate interaction between students and council. B) More extensive intercultural activities between clubs. C) A council program where equal justice time and attention would be allotted to all clubs and interest groups. D) More specific student notification of A.S. budget investments.

Q. What are your qualifications to hold office?

Scardino: Two semesters on I.O.C., participation in two state student government conferences, associate justice Fall '76, representative to Area 4 (local chapter of CCCSGA), vice-chairperson of the student rights committee, worked with students through both the Information Station and Mobile Information Cart, received award of merit for work on Executive council as a non-member.

Whitelaw: I have been a member of I.O.C. twice, and was heavily involved in a number of clubs on campus. I have recently completed planning and promoting our "Student Of The Month Campaign." I have chaired many organizations. As such I believe my personality qualifies me for vice-president. Leadership has been sadly

lacking in council for too long.

Q. What are your feelings on paid ID cards being mandatory for voting rights?

Scardino: A change in voting requirements call for a constitutional change and therefore must be presented to the students (paid ID holders) for a vote.

Whitelaw: I feel that voting is an inalienable right to every student and far supercedes the possible revenues derived from a \$5 or \$10 paid student ID fee.

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What's Happening

Medical Technicians

As part of the Occupational Exploration Series, Don Myers of Pierce College will present a lecture on the emergency medical technician profession. The lecture will take place at 11 a.m. in BSc 100 on May 12.

Affirmative Action Nomination

Nomination forms for the affirmative action representative and advisory committee member will be available in CC 100 and specific information concerning the nominations are printed on the forms.

Summer Nights

"Summer Nights" is the title of the free-to-the-public planetarium lectures on Fridays, May 13, 20 and 27 at 7:30 p.m. and on Sunday, May 22, at 3 p.m. at the Valley planetarium. The planetarium is near the southwest end of College Road at the corner of Burbank and Fulton.

Ancient Astronauts

"The Von Daniken Phenomenon: Were There Really Ancient Astronauts?" will be the topic of a Robert Cooney lecture on May 17 at 11 a.m. in MS 109. The lecture is sponsored by the Earth Science Department.

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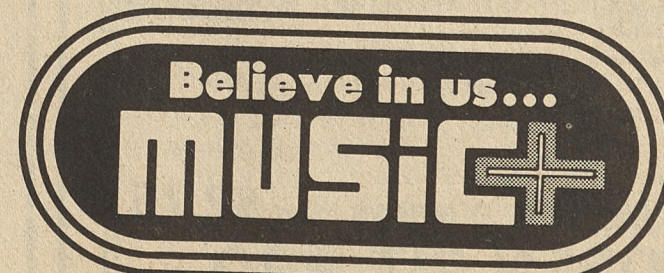
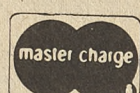
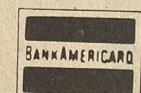
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Football It's Not, But Rugby Class Hits Gridiron With Olympic Gusto

By JOE LOVELL
Staff Writer

Fact: The United States has won twice as many gold medals for rugby in Olympic competition than all other countries combined!

Great!

What's rugby?

"Rugby is a gentlemen's sport played by ruffians, or a ruffian sport played by gentlemen," says Bernie Christian, Valley's wrestling coach.

Though not highly publicized, rugby is alive and well with many diehard followers throughout the U.S. Usually ex-football or wrestling enthusiasts that seek to continue the thrill of sports find their way to the many rugby clubs in the states.

This is the case with the Eagle Rock Rugby Football Club, the oldest such club west of the Alleghenies, which

conducts a rugby class at Valley College.

Christian, captain of the Eagle Rock team, filled in for a friend in a game 10 years ago, and has been sold on the sport ever since.

"The social aspect of the game is what made me a fan. After playing to exhaustion against an opponent, we go out and have a beer together," Christian said.

There are virtually no substitutions in rugby and it is evident that the players earn that post-game beer. Only top conditioned athletes can keep up with the almost continuous running that is required.

"Any size person can play rugby if they are tough enough. The guys from Wales are only about 5'6", but they are hard as rock," mentions Tony Scott, coach of Eagle Rock.

Though a rugged and demanding sport, rugby players receive comparatively few injuries. Football, for example, records far more serious injuries with a lot more protective padding worn. Rugby players simply wear jerseys and "those cute little shorts," as Dick Butkus would say.

With no blocking, speed is the key to success in rugby. Teams advance the ball by carrying, kicking, or passing to the rear or side. There are no forward passes in rugby, but field goals are scored the same way as in American football.

A touchdown or "try" is awarded when the ball is touched to the ground in the end zone. But getting there is where the fun begins.

The tackling is similar to that in football, except that the head is not allowed to bring a runner down. Also

"clothesline" tackles are not permitted. Tackles must be made by grabbing the opponent and pulling him down.

Play is not stopped after a tackle so the action is fast and furious. But a spectator need only to follow the ball to take in the action.

Even though the rules and basic strategy can be picked up quickly, the game does hold some mystery for the veteran followers.

"I have been playing this game for 10 years and I am still learning new things about it," emphasized Christian.

Several ex-Valley gridders and wrestlers are performers for the Eagle Rock team. Nolan Day, John Rhodes, and Jeff Thompson start for Eagle Rock, with Rich Lawson, Bob Rebbe, and Ken Vandenburg ready to fill in.

Rhodes still shows the skills that made him the CIF-small school player of the year.

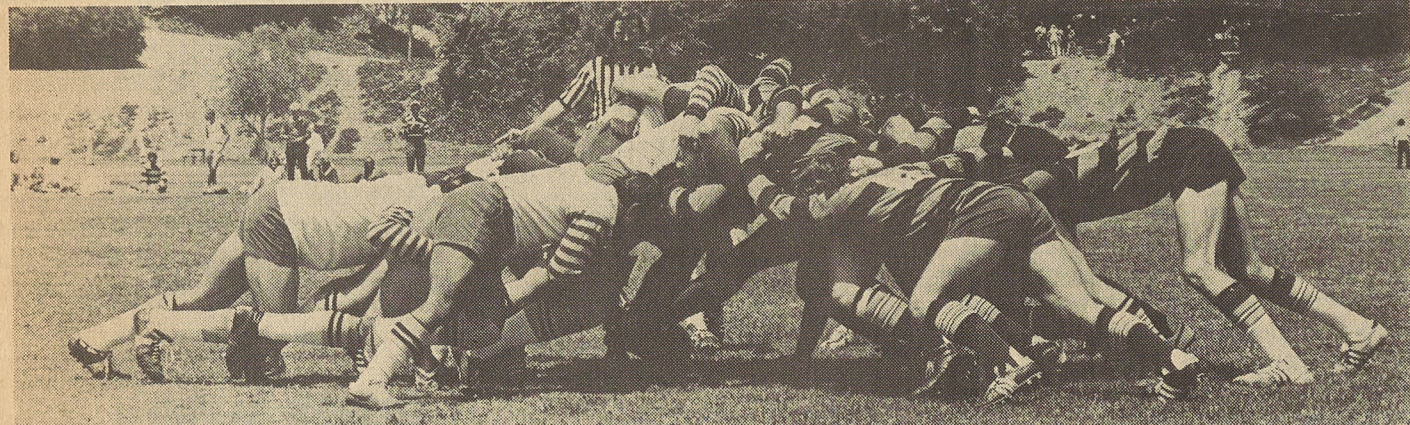
After the two Olympic victories in 1920 and 1924, interest in rugby declined and was removed as an Olympic sport. But in the past few years the spirit has been revived.

This fall, for the first time in 50 years, the United States will travel abroad to play on an international level.

Despite what happens, unless rugby is re-instated as an Olympic sport, the U.S. remains as the only double gold medal winner in history.



FOLLOW THE PIGSKIN—All eyes are on the ball as players from Valley rugby class follow its flight. Literally no padding is worn in rugby, yet comparatively it has fewer injuries than football. Valley Star Photo by Joe Lovell



IS IT A CENTIPEDE?—No, it's actually several members of the Eagle Rock Rugby Club locked in a battle for the ball. The club members also hold a class at Valley College. Valley Star Photo by Joe Lovell

Failing Eyesight Doesn't Stop Devoted Fan from Enjoying Monarchs' Games

By HAROLD KLEIN
Staff Writer

Courage tells the story of this man's life.

Despite diabetes and failing eyesight, he's still supporting the people he loves—the Monarch baseball team.

Nelson "Yazoo" Gary is his name. He has a lovely wife, Helen, who keeps him going when he's ill. They also have a son, Nelson.

Yazoo made his way to Valley College in the mid 1950's when Charlie Mann was the coach. He has been at every Monarch home game since 1965, and at the age of 80 Yaz is the Monarch's number one supporter.

He is loved by all the Monarch ballplayers, coaches and fans. He keeps the ballplayers loose, win or lose.

"He motivates us in many ways. A good example of this is the nicknames he gives us..." states sophomore pitcher Marc Saraceno.

Some of the nicknames he gave are

Rock Island Slim, Wicki Wicki, Taf On, Cuchamongo, and Cha Cha.

Yazoo received his nickname from Yazoo City, Mississippi, his home town.

His interest in baseball began way back in the early 1900's when he started playing. Yaz began in the era of Babe Ruth and Ty Cobb in 1913. He was a bat boy for the Yazoo City team, and they needed a second baseman so Yaz signed with the team.

Playing everywhere from Yazoo City to New Orleans, Yaz was not very happy. He had one opportunity to play in the big leagues, but he was called into the National Guard during World War I.

He received fifty dollars a month to play ball, compared to the modern players who receive thousands of dollars a month. Yazoo was given one dollar a day for meals when on the road.

"From the one dollar I managed to save about thirty cents a day," says Yazoo.

"I retired in 1921 because I was tired of moving around from one ball club to another," said Yazoo. "They also failed to pay me enough to support me and my wife."

After Yazoo retired, he watched all the great ones play until Nelson grew up. He was determined to make his son a ballplayer.

Nelson had one problem.

He only had one arm. Nelson went on to Van Nuys High School, then Occidental College to play baseball. He chose not to play anymore after he finished his college ball.

Yaz gave many other ballplayers the same encouragement that he gave his son, when he worked with the Babe Ruth Leagues in the mid 1950's. He also has encouraged the Monarch ballplayers for the past fifteen years.

"I love the guy. He is like our mascot, and is part of the team," relates sophomore pitcher Bob Alliston.

"He takes a lot of pressure off of us," says sophomore outfielder Murphy Sua.

Despite all the health problems he has had, Yazoo still enjoys baseball and the enthusiasm of the young Lions.

Sports Menu

(For the week of May 12-18)

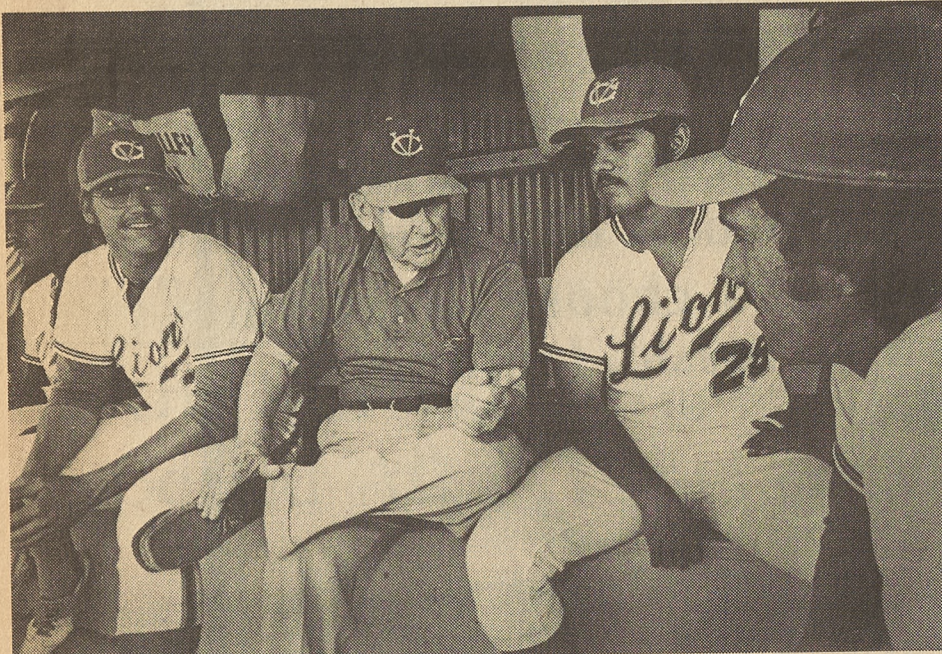
TENNIS—May 13-14, Valley at Golden West for the Sectionals Tournament, All Day.

WOMEN'S TENNIS—May 12, 13, and 14, Valley at San Diego for the SCCCAC Tournament.

TRACK—May 14, Valley at Citrus College for the Southern California Preliminaries, All Day.

RAH! RAH!—May 11, 16, Valley will hold cheerleading workshops for all girls interested in trying out for the cheerleading squad of '77-'78. Try-outs will take place on May 18 in the Women's Gym at 3:30 p.m.

S.I.D. SEARCH—George Goff, men's athletic director, is in search of next year's Men's Sports Information Director. Anyone interested in obtaining this job should contact Goff in the Men's Gym.



NOW IN MY DAY... —Nelson "Yazoo" Gary, the father of Valley baseball. Valley Star Photo by Harry Fisher

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'An Evening of Dance' Provides Spectrum of Creative Movements



DON'T SHOOT!—June Wallace positions dancers (left to right) Teresa Lahey, Roxanne Henderson, Nancy Hoch, and Andrea Weiss for her dance "Free Hand," featured in "An Evening of Dance." Photo by Harry Fisher

By **ROBERT BROWN**
Assoc. Fine Arts Editor

A wide spectrum of dance forms ranging from modern to tap will be presented in "An Evening of Dance" next Thursday and Friday, May 19 and 20 in Monarch Hall at 8 p.m.

All of the dances to be performed in "An Evening of Dance" are choreographed by Valley College students who are enrolled in dance classes.

Included in the program will be "Hot Fun" which is choreographed by Annie Rozenek, "One Night In Paris" by Terri Lahey, and June Wallace's "Free Hand." There will also be ballet solos, tap dancing, and improvisational dances.

In addition to this variety of dances, Russell Zanoza will present "Moon Dance" and "Samba Fantasy." "Samba Fantasy" will incorporate the use of over 60 masks which were all hand-made by Zanoza. The musical arrangement which accompanies "Fantasy" was written especially for it by four of his friends.

A dancer from the Los Angeles Ballet Company will make a guest appearance in the program. Anyone who can't make it to the performances in the evening can see a special presentation given Thursday morning in Monarch Hall at 11 a.m. This presentation, "Excerpts from an Evening of Dance," will feature special selections from the larger performances.

All of the dance productions are sponsored by Valley College's Dance Department and are free to the public.

Pleasure Faire: Commercialism Replaces Magic

It's impossible to get lost going to the Faire. Countless road signs and massive billboards point the way. Uniformed policemen direct the parade of cars through the winding Agoura Hills to the old Paramount movie ranch.

Yes, as advertised on TV, radio, and in the L.A. Times, the 15th annual Renaissance Pleasure Faire, complete with jugglers and clowns is yours for the price of \$4.95.

Every year I say I'll never go back and every year I'm sorry I did.

To accommodate the ever-increasing number of tourists, the Faire has enlarged losing its feeling of intimacy.

Many years ago, you couldn't get in without a costume, and if you came on horse back you could get in free. Today it seems the only ones who dress up are those who work there.

My memory is of another place, a magic never-never land, where, for just one day you could forget about who you were and pretend to be who you might have been had you lived during the Elizabethan period.

Then, the entire Faire was a stage and you, a performer. They still have the mimes, jesters, and the ladies of the court, in all their elaborate finery. The Shakespearean entertainers and music of the players and music of the bagpipes, recorders, and harps still fill the air. But with the heavy crowds, microphones and binoculars are needed to know what's happening.

It's the magic. It's gone.

—Lynda Ronquillo

Valley's Fine Arts

Morris Miziahi in Concert

Morris Miziahi will play the guitar and lute in a free concert today in Monarch Hall at 11 a.m.

Art Exhibition

Day student's art work will be on display Monday, May 16 through Thursday, June 2 in the Art Gallery. Viewing hours will be 12 to 3 p.m. and from 6:30 to 9 p.m.

Museum Film

The latest in the Museum film series, "The Insect War" and "Carnivorous Plants" will be shown Monday, May 16 in Monarch Hall at 7:30 p.m. Admission is free.

"Let's Talk About Women"

Valley's Italian Club is sponsoring "Let's Talk About Women," an Italian film. The film will run tonight at 8 p.m. in Monarch Hall. There is no admission charge.

Beatlemania Preserved In Live Concert Album

By **HARRY FISHER**
Staff Writer

While it has been 11 years since the Beatles have performed a single concert, the nostalgic feeling of "Beatlemania" is once again revived with the newly released "Beatles at the Hollywood Bowl" album from the group's Los Angeles concerts in '64 and '65.

For anyone who was lucky enough to have attended a live Beatle concert, "The Beatles at the Hollywood Bowl" should provide a sense of deja-vu. But for those who weren't so lucky this album may be the only picture of perhaps one of the most exciting and emotional periods in the history of recorded music.

For John, Paul, George, and Ringo, the album may only mean extra

royalties in their pocket, but for Beatle fans everywhere, the recording serves as a reminder of the frenzy and excitement that took place during these concerts.

Despite the fact that this album was recorded years ago, Capitol records has made a final attempt to capitalize on the most successful recording group.

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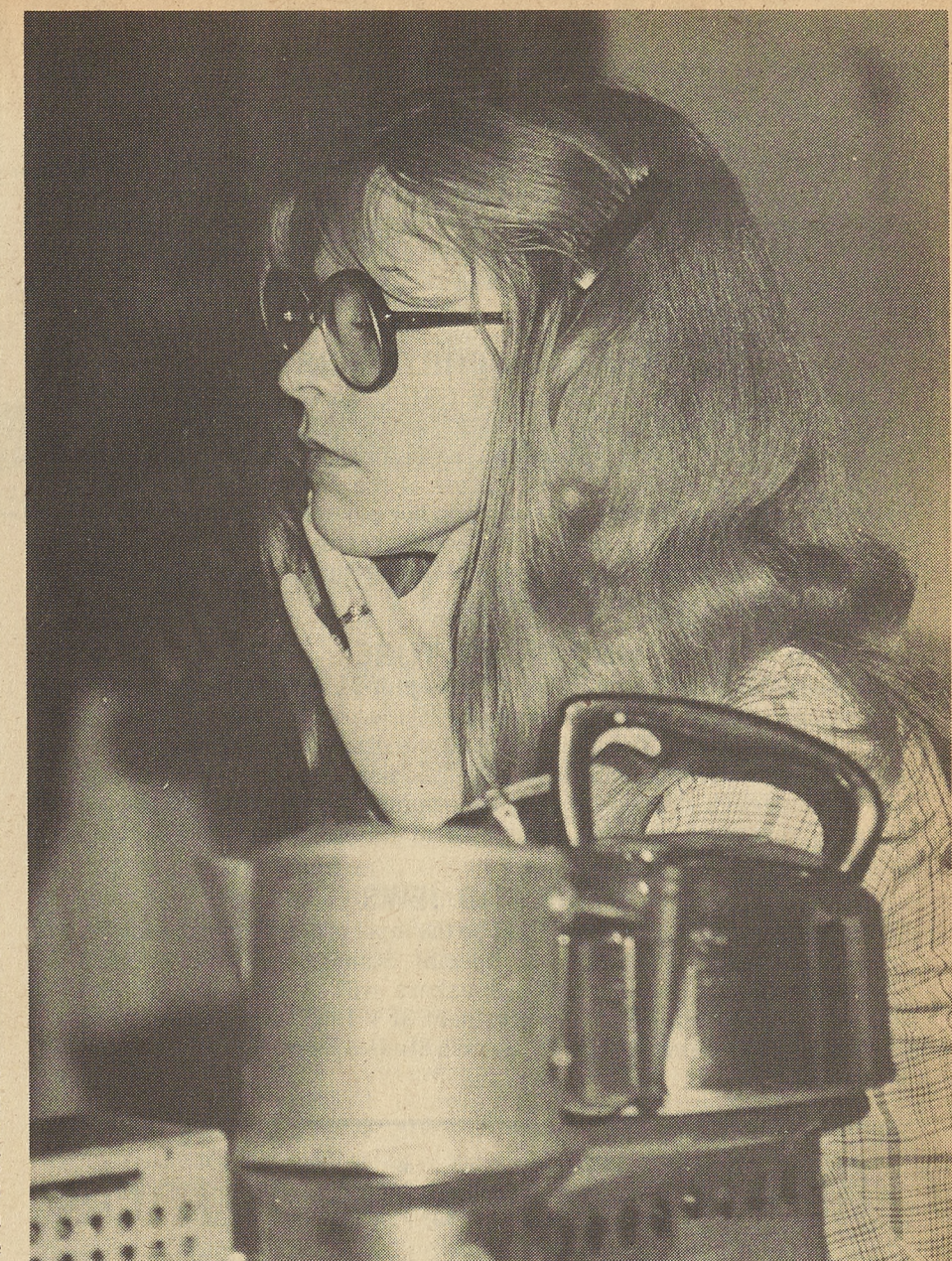


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TWO OUT OF THREE AIN'T BAD

One-Act Plays Show Fine Acting

By **ARCHIE CAMPBELL**
Staff Writer

It's billed as an "Evening of One Acts" but tedium toward the end of the third play prompted some of the members of the audience, composed mostly of senior citizens, to remark that "two acts would have been enough," and I would be prone to agree.

With an 8:30 curtain, the plays run until just after 11 p.m. and one member of the audience was observed falling asleep during the third of the three one-act.

My nomination for a first place winner would be "The Son Who Hunted Tigers in Jakarta," by Ron Ribman, with excellent performances by Albert Aron, Addison Randall, and Carrie Jean Whelan. Ms. Whelan does well with the part of a borderline shrewish wife but disappears from the stage about half way through the play, "to take a sleeping pill."

Her husband, played by Aron, is left to a lone confrontation with a con-man-burglar. The plot is not predictable.

While the program lists "Fragments," by Murry Schisgal, as the second one-act, a last minute switch puts it in the anchor position. This is a mistake, as this is a rather

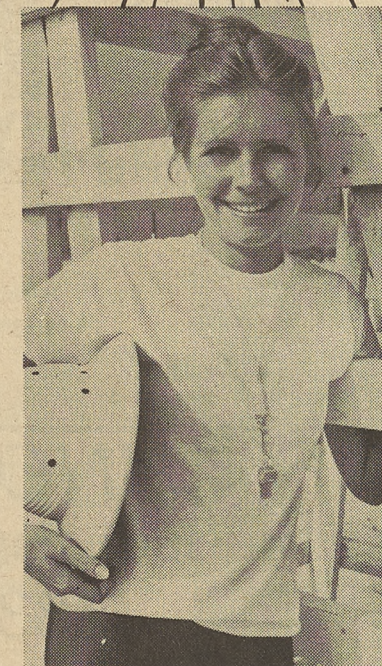
heavy play demanding fully alert minds for total comprehension and appreciation.

The male portion of the cast, David Wall, Addison Randall and Frank Saffold do an excellent job with subtle characterizations of three losers thrown together by fate in one room. Troy Lynn Berggren plays Ann, a tightly wound elementary school counselor who is, for a few moments, thrust into their masochistic lives.

Third, but appearing first on the program, is a monologue presentation called the "Old Jew," also by Murry Schisgal. David Wall carries the entire story line and characterization well,

but, unfortunately, fails in bringing out a feeling for the character from the audience.

The plays will appear again this weekend, May 12, 13, and 14, in Theater Arts' Horseshoe Theater. General admission is \$2.50 and \$1.50 for students. Curtain time is 8:30 p.m.



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FUN AND GAMES NIGHT

The feature film, "Comedy of Terrors" will be presented at "Hillel Fun and Games Night" to be held Saturday, May 14 at 8 p.m. in the "Backroom" of the Valley Cities Jewish Center, 13154 Burbank Blvd., across from the campus bungalows. The evening will include games, refreshments, dancing, and fun. Admission is \$1.50 per person or \$1.00 with Hillel activity card.

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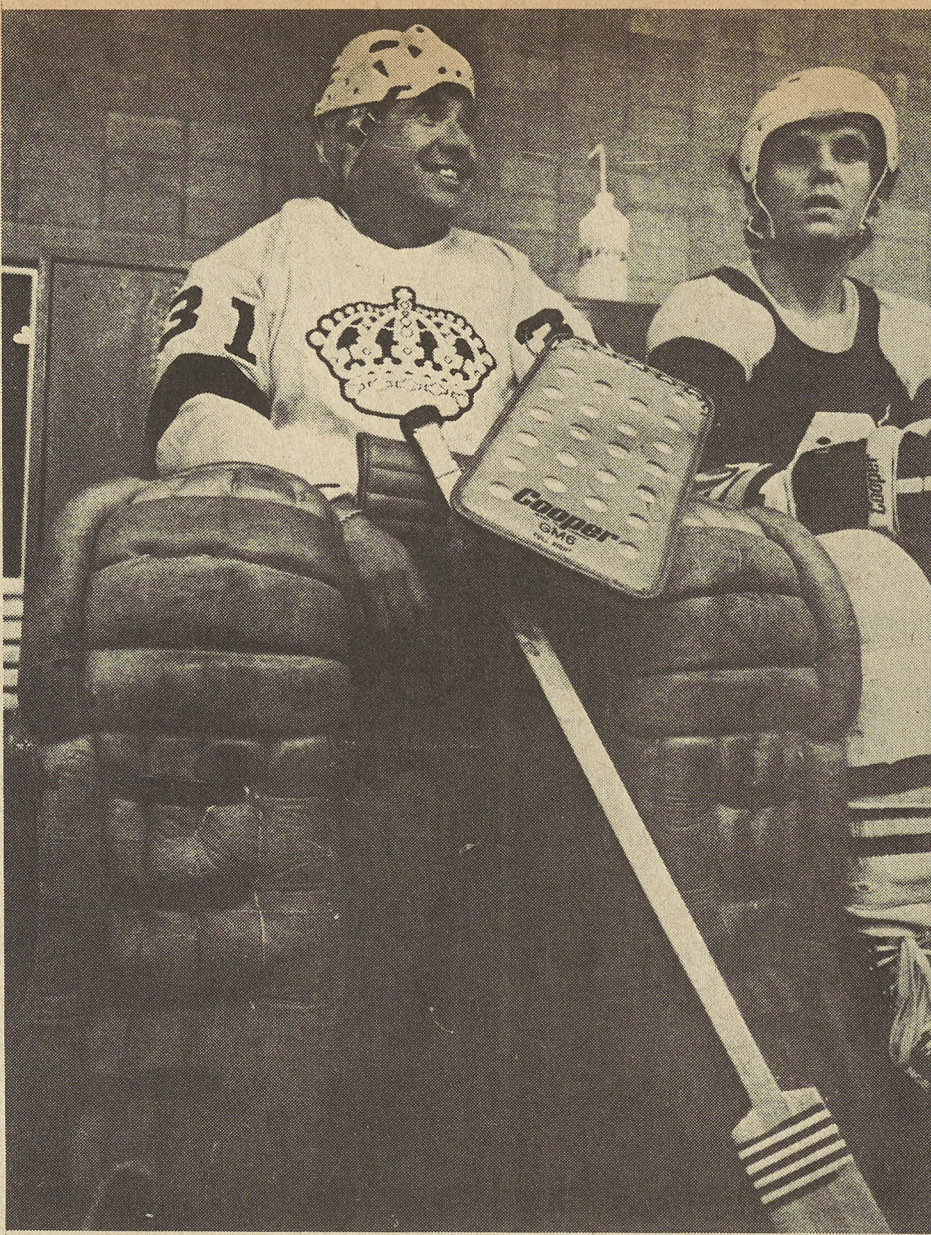
"INNOVATIONS IN COMMUNITY CHILD CARE: THE REALITY AND THE STRUGGLE FOR CHANGE" will be the topic presented by the Sociology Club on Tuesday May 17 at 11 a.m. in Behavioral Science 102. Renee Haun, community organizer of the Echo Park-Silverlake Peoples' Child Care Center will speak on her parent/worker controlled school that offers a non-role stereotyped environment. The lecture will also include a 20 minute Emmy Award winning film about the history of the school which began in two garages.

YIDDISH CULTURE

"Sholem Aleichem Yiddish Club," a new club at Valley College is open to everyone who knows, doesn't know, loves, wants to love, the Yiddish language and culture. The club will read and discuss Yiddish literature, show Yiddish movies and look into Yiddish "roots." For further information leave your name and phone number at 781-1200, ext. 286 for Marvin Zuckerman, faculty advisor or at 653-5270 for Rose Schimel, president.

JESUS AND JEWS

"What Does Jesus Say to Jews" will be the topic of discussion presented by Hillel Council's Institute of Special Studies today in Foreign Language 111 at 11 a.m. Guest speakers will include Rabbi John Sherwood of Temple Emet and president SFV Interfaith Council; and professor Zev Garver, chairman, Jewish Studies Dept. All are welcome to attend.



SUPER GOALIE—Stu Nahan, KNBC sports caster, takes a breather as goalie for a celebraty hockey team which put up a tougher fight than expected during a recent hockey match with Valley. Valley Star Photo by Carol Crawford

Valley Hockey Team Upstages the Stars

By JOE LOVELL Staff Writer

Valley's hockey team took advantage of Stu Nahan's bad imitation of Rogie Vachon to break open a hotly contested affair against a surprisingly good team made up of celebrities and stuntmen.

Nahan came in to take over the goalie chores with his team tied 2-2 after two periods with two other players sharing duties in the nets.

Then "Red Light" lived up to his nickname by letting the talented Valley shooters put the game away, 8-3.

Tempers flared several times and "Oglethorpe," of SLAPSHOT fame, was ejected for coming to the aid of a teammate.

"Killer," another character in SLAPSHOT played by Jerry Houser, also performed for the celebrities.

The game was played for real with the action in the first two periods going at a furious pace. The younger Valley players were able to pull away from

the celebrities in a sloppy third period play.

With little time to warm up, Nahan came in with less than a fresh team in front of him. But even the Montreal Canadians would have been hard pressed to win with Nahan in the nets.

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The funds, which were approved by the Los Angeles Community College District Board of Trustees, will be aimed at helping students overcome obstacles that may impede or jeopardize their educational venture, said George Cagala, district public relations officer.

For Valley, the student retention program will provide a counselor and a clerk typist. Travel, office, and postage supplies expenses will also be covered.

The main object of the program is to reduce the dropout rate said Cagala. College dropouts have been on the rise this year, he said.

To combat these problems Valley will also receive as part of the LACCD allocation, funds for professional development for counseling staff, faculty as curricular advisers at all colleges, and improvement of career counseling in resource centers.

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